

2024 Regular Session

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35

BY REPRESENTATIVE WRIGHT

LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT: Provides for a special joint committee to review the Administrative Procedure Act, the Louisiana Administrative Code, the public's involvement in proposed rulemaking, and comparisons of other states' regulatory environments

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

2 To create and provide with respect to a special joint legislative committee composed of  
3 selected members of the House of Representatives and the Senate to study and make  
4 recommendations with respect to Louisiana's regulatory environment.

5 WHEREAS, an appropriate regulatory regime is an important factor in the orderly  
6 operation of programs and for ensuring that legislative intent in creating policies and  
7 programs is effectively administered; and

8 WHEREAS, unless regularly reviewed and revised, rules and regulations may  
9 become outdated, overly burdensome, or unnecessarily costly and in some instances may no  
10 longer reflect the current state of the law; and

11 WHEREAS, because administrative rules and regulations affect every Louisiana  
12 citizen and business, it is vital to ensure that rules and regulations are necessary and not  
13 burdensome or costly; and

14 WHEREAS, it is important to systematically review rules and regulations and the  
15 rulemaking process with the processes and regulatory environment of other states to ensure  
16 that Louisiana's regulatory environment is responsive, reasonable, and accountable to its  
17 citizens.

18 THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of Louisiana does hereby  
19 create a special joint legislative committee, composed of members as hereinafter provided,  
20 to study and make recommendations with respect to Louisiana's regulatory environment,

1 including but not limited to comparisons with other states' rules and regulations; the  
2 authority of the governor in other states to review and eliminate rules and regulations; the  
3 involvement of the public with regard to the adoption, amendment, and repeal of rules and  
4 regulations and ways to improve public participation in the process; the exercise of  
5 legislative oversight in other states; and mechanisms to quantify the costs of proposed rules  
6 and regulations.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the special joint legislative committee shall be  
8 named the "Special Legislative Committee on Regulatory Reform" and shall be composed  
9 of the following:

10 (1) Four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker  
11 of the House of Representatives, one of whom shall be designated by the speaker as  
12 the chairman of the committee.

13 (2) Three members of the Senate appointed by the President of the Senate,  
14 one of whom shall be designated by the president as the vice chairman of the  
15 committee.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Speaker of the House of Representatives and  
17 the President of the Senate shall designate staff to assist the committee in its work.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Special Legislative Committee on  
19 Regulatory Reform shall report its findings to the legislature prior to December 31, 2024.

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DIGEST

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Creates the Special Legislative Committee on Regulatory Reform, composed of four members of the House selected by the speaker, with one designated as the chairman, and three members of the Senate selected by the president, with one designated as the vice chairman, to study and make recommendations with respect to Louisiana's regulatory environment and report findings to the legislature prior to Dec. 31, 2024.